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# CAP TOW TARGET AND TRACKING SERVICE

(This Operations Directive supersedes Operations Directive No. 41, 1 January 1944.)

## 1. General Policy

- a. The CAP Tow Target and Tracking Service is established under the provisions of AAF Regulation No. 20-18, Headquarters Army Air Forces, "Organization Civil Air Patrol", dated 25 May 1943, and by authorization from Headquarters Army Air Forces for the performance of tow target and tracking operations for the First and Fourth Air Forces in support of anti-aircraft gunnery training of the Eastern and Western Defense Commands.
- b. Pursuant to paragraph 4 a of said AAF Regulation No. 20-18, said service will function under the operational control of the First and Fourth Air Forces, through National Headquarters, Civil Air Patrol. Special instructions pertaining to the conduct of said operations may be issued direct from said Air Forces and from the Antiaircraft Artillery Commands to the CAP tow target commanders.

# 2. Operating Units

- a. All CAP tow target and tracking operations will be handled through CAP Tow Target Units located at such points as may be directed by National Headquarters, in collaboration with the First and Fourth Air Forces. Said operating bases may be relocated from point to point at any time, as circumstances may require.
- <u>b.</u> Said operating units will be designated by numbers and not by the names of the airports on which they are based nor by the names of the states in which said airports are located. (Example:- CAP Tow Target Unit No. 1, Abbreviation:- CAP-TTU-1.) Designating numbers will be assigned by National Headquarters.

# 3. Organization

a. Each CAP Tow Target Unit will be organized within the manning table issued for that particular unit by National Headquarters. Said

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manning tables will show the number of personnel of each category authorized for each unit on the basis of actual operating requirements.

- <u>b.</u> Assignments to said units will be in the following basic categories: (1) Commanding Officer, (2) Pilot, (3) Flight Surgeon (See paragraph 17 hereof), (4) Master Mechanic-Engineering Officer, (5) Mechanic, (6) Mechanic Tow Reel, (7) Radio Technician, (8) Technical Section Head, (9) Clerk Technician, (10) Apprentice Mechanic, (11) Service Technician, and (12) Security Technician.
- c. Unless otherwise specifically authorized in writing by National Headquarters, the following staff positions will be filled by appointments made by the Unit Commander from among the pilots assigned to the unit: (1) Executive Officer (Optional), (2) Operations Officer, (3) Asst. Operations Officer, (4) Maintenance Officer, (5) Airdrome Officer, (6) Supply Officer, (7) Asst. Maintenance Officer, (8) Asst. Airdrome Officer, (9) Asst. Supply Officer. The pilots so appointed will perform all the functions of said staff positions in addition to their regular duties as pilots.
- d. In the preparation of pay vouchers, reports, and other official documents, the basic assignment of the individual will be shown in addition to his staff assignment; for example: Captain John Smith, Operations Officer-Pilot.
- e. The pilot appointed to serve as Maintenance Officer will have a broad background of mechanical and maintenance experience and, with the aid of the Assistant Maintenance Officer, will handle all administrative matters pertaining to maintenance and repair. The Master Mechanic-Engineering Officer (formerly designated as Engineering Officer and still carried under this designation on the fiscal schedules) will function under the supervision of the Maintenance Officer and will devote his entire time and skill to the actual handling of the specialized work in the maintenance and repair shops. He will be carried on pay vouchers under the former designation of Engineering Officer. On all rosters and other reports, he will be carried as Master Mechanic.

### 4. Rank of CAP Personnel

a. When any member of Civil Air Patrol is placed on active duty with a Tow Target Unit, his duty assignment with the unit will determine his rank and grade, in accordance with the manning table issued for that particular unit, except that personnel transferred to Tow Target Units from other CAP active-duty,

organized Field Units will retain the rank and grade held in the unit from which transferred. Upon completion of active-duty assignment, said member's rank and grade will be that corresponding to his assignment within his State Wing.

b. In order that commission certificates may not be issued to persossel who, after a trial period, prove incapable of efficiently performing the duties of their assignments, said certificates will be issued in each case only upon receipt by National Headquarters of written recommendation from the Unit Commander following a one-month trial period. In accordance with this procedure, Unit Commanders will submit to National Headquarters recommendations for commissions covering only those individuals who, upon completion of one month of service in assignment have satisfactorily demonstrated their ability and qualifications to perform successfully the duties involved.

### 5. Succession of Command

- a. During the absence of the Commanding Officer, the next ranking staff officer will succeed to command in the order listed in the foregoing paragraph 3 c.
- b. If the Commanding Officer is away from the unit for a short period of time on an informal leave of absence, or for other reasons, the assumption of command by the next ranking staff officer will be announced to all personnel of the base by the officer assuming command. Such notification may be oral or in the form of a Special Order.
- g. If the Commanding Officer is authorized by National Headquarters to be away from his base for an extended period of time, the assumption of command by the next ranking staff officer will be announced to all personnel of the unit, to National Headquarters, and to appropriate Army authorities, by the officer assuming command. Such notification will be by means of a Special Order.

## 6. Membership Requirement

Assignments to Tow Target Units will be limited to properly qualified members of the Civil Air Patrol holding official Membership Identification Cards. No applicants for egrollment who do not hold official identification cards will be assigned to duty with said units, including temporary duty, except upon written authorization from National Headquarters. Non-members of the Civil Air Patrol will not be permitted to engage in any CAP tow target operations.

# 7. Active Duty Oath

Each person serving in any capacity with Tow Target Units will be required to execute the following Active Duty Oath, which will be filed with the Commanding Officer immediately upon reporting for duty, and which will be retained in the files of the unit. Copies of said Active Duty Oath will be supplied by the Commanding Officer.

During said term and any extension thereof, I do solemnly swear that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America; that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies whomsoever; that I will fully and faithfully perform all duties assigned to me and obey the orders of the President of the United States and the orders of the officers appointed over me subject to the rules and Articles of War.

In the event that I shall not report or be available for active duty at any time during said term or any extension thereof which I shall voluntarily undertake, or if I shall not faithfully and fully perform all duties assigned to me, I hereby consent to the revocation and cancellation of my license to own, operate and service any aviation and radio equipment."

# 8. Procurement and Assignment of Personnel and Aircraft

- a. Requisitions for assignment and replacement of personnel and airplanes for Tow Target Units will be submitted in writing to National Headquarters by Unit Commanders.
- <u>b.</u> No per diem payments will be made to any personnel assigned to said units nor will any payments be made for the use of any airplanes assigned to said units unless said assignments have been made by National Headquarters.
- c. Orders terminating assignments of personnel and aircraft to Tow Target Units will be issued by National Headquarters.
- d. The assignment and reassignment of individuals within said units will be effected by Special Orders issued by Unit Commanders. Said assignments will be made only to such positions as are herein set forth in paragraph 3. Forms for such orders will be substantially as follows:

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e. Special Orders issued by Tow Target Units effecting changes in duties and assignments of personnel will be marked for distribution so as to include the following, as indicated in the model Special Orders given in paragraph 8 d above: 2 copies, National Headquarters; 1 copy to each individual named in order; 1 copy, unit file.

## 9. Minimum Period of Assignments

Assignments of personnel and airplanes to CAP Tow Target Units will be limited to personnel and airplanes available for such duty for periods of not less than ninety (90) consecutive days.

# 10. Reassignments

Personnel and airplanes assigned to Tow Target Units are subject to reassignment from one unit to another or to other CAP operations by National Headquarters at any time, as the situation may require.

### 11. Leaves of Absence

a. Personnel assigned to Tow Target Units may be granted leaves of absence on Special Orders issued by direction of the Unit Commanders. Individuals on leave of absence cannot be paid Per Diem Allowances during such periods, as Federal Regulations prohibit per diem payments for periods when personnel are not on duty.

b. The "one rest day per week" for which provision is made in paragraph 2, Operations Directive No. 42 is for the purpose of maintaining physical fitness. Rest days are not cumulative.

#### 12. Transfer of Service Records

a. The CAP Service Record of an individual assigned to active duty with a Tow Target Unit will be transferred from the files of his local CAP squadron (or flight) to the files of the unit to which he is assigned.

The following method will be followed:

- (1) When a member of CAP receives an assignment to active duty with a Tow Target Unit he will so inform his Squadron Commander. The latter will provide the assigned member with his Service Record in a sealed envelope which will be delivered to the TTU Commander upon arrival.
- (2) The TTU Commander will acknowledge receipt of the Service Record, by letter, direct to the Squadron Commander. This letter will be retained in the Squadron file until the assigned member is released from active duty and returns to his local unit.
- (3) The TTU Commander will enter on the Service Record such remarks as are necessary to indicate the length of the tour of duty, the duty assignments performed, and the manner of performance. When the individual leaves the unit permanently, the Unit Commander will forward the Service Record direct to the Squadron Commander by mail.
- b. The CAP Service Record of an individual transferred from one Tow
  Target Unit to another or to other active-duty field unit will be transferred
  from the files of the unit from which he is departing to the files of the
  unit to which he is transferred. Before forwarding said Service Record,
  the Unit Commander will complete all entries thereon regarding the length
  of the tour of duty, the duty assignments performed, the manner of performance, and any other pertinent remarks. The Service Record will be forwarded
  by mail.

### 13. Civil Air Patrol Uniforms

All personnel assigned to Tow Target Units will report to the Unit Commander in regulation Civil Air Patrol uniform and will wear regulation Civil Air Patrol uniforms while on duty. (See Operations Circular No. 4, this Headquarters, "Wearing of Uniform by CAP Personnel on Active-Duty Assignment", 11 April 1944). The wearing of any uniform or insignia other

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than that authorized for the Civil Air Patrol is strictly prohibited. Uniforms will be kept clean, in proper state of repair, and neatly pressed at all times.

#### 14. Membership Identification Cards

All personnel assigned to Tow Target Units will carry with them at all times while on duty their official Membership Identification Cards and copies of the Special Orders issued by National Headquarters assigning them to said units.

#### 15. First Aid Training

All personnel assigned to Tow Target Units who do not hold certificates from the American Red Cross indicating that they have satisfactorily completed the First Aid Course for Civilian Defense will be required by Unit Commanders to take this course of instruction as soon as practicable after reporting for duty.

### 16. Pilots

a. All pilots assigned to duty with Tow Target Units will be required to hold currently effective Civil Aeronautics Administration Airman Certificates of the grade of Private Pilot, or higher, with rating records attached covering all nircraft of the type and engine classifications to be operated in the perfermance of said duty, and to possess the following qualifications:

(1) Shall have officially logged a minimum of 200 hours as a pilot.

(2) Shall hold a currently effective Federal Communications Commission Restricted Radiotelephone Operator Permit.

(3) Shall have a practical working knowledge of air navigation and be skilled in the use of the air navigation computer in the solution of ground-speed and radius-of-action problems and in the calculations involved in the preparation of complete flight plans.

b. Before making final assignments, Unit Commanders will verify the qualifications of each pilot and make certain that such pilot has the necessary ability to perform the duties to be assigned.

### 17. Flight Surgeons

a. Except in cases where adequate flight surgeon service is available from local military units, the Commanding Officer of each Tow Target Unit will endeavor to enlist the interest of a reputable local physician and

surgeon in making application for membership in Civil Air Patrol incident to assignment as Flight Surgeon at the Base with the rank of First Lieutenant. Said assignments will be made by National Headquarters on the recommendations of the Unit Commanders.

- b. Flight Surgeons will be available on call for emergency service in case of accidents and will make regular semi-monthly inspections of sanitary and living conditions and first-aid facilities and of the general health and physical fitness of the personnel on duty at the units. Said inspections will in each case be covered by a written report which will be submitted to the Unit Commander in duplicate. One copy of the report will be retained in the unit file and one copy will be forwarded by the Unit Commander to National Headquarters by indorsement thereon, which will include a statement as to steps being taken to correct any deficiencies set forth in the report.
- c. Flight Surgeons will be required to become thoroughly familiar with all material presented in War Department Technical Manual (TM 1-705) "Physiological Aspects of Flying and Maintenance of Physical Fitness" and in Navy Department Training Manual "Effects of Flight", published under the supervision of the Training Division of the Navy Bureau of Aeronautics copies of which manuals may be obtained from National Headquarters.
- d. Flight Surgeons will receive an allowance of \$8.00 for each such semi-monthly inspection and for each day they are called to the Base for said emergency service in case of accidents.
- e. In cases where a reputable physician and surgeon is on duty with a Tow Target Unit in one of the full-time assignments, he may be assigned to act as Flight Surgeon in addition to his regular assignment. In such event, his per diem allowance will be at the rate of \$8.00 even though the per diem allowance corresponding to his regular assignment is at a lower rate.

# 18. Mechanics and Tow Reel Operators

- a. On account of the limited number of certificated A & E Mechanics available for assignment to CAP operating bases and stations, it may be impossible to assign more than one such mechanic to a unit, the other mechanics being men who are not certificated but who are qualified to do the work under the direction of the certificated mechanic. The Master Mechanic will be a certificated A & E Mechanic.
- b. Tow reel mechanics will be responsible for the care, servicing, and operation of towing windlasses and all other special tow target equipment carried in airplanes assigned to this service, and will be given special instruction in this work. When not actually engaged in such duties, they will be assigned to the general maintenance and repair work of the unit

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When on detached tow target operations, said mechanics, under the supervision of the pilots, will be responsible for the proper care and maintenance of the airplanes to which assigned and will see that airplanes are properly tied down when parked in the open.

c. In order that mechanics on duty with CAP Tow Target Units may be able to devote a maximum amount of time to the maintenance and repair of aircraft, Unit Commanders may, at their discretion, designate and train any number of their pilots to function as tow reel operators at times when they are not engaged in the performance of pilot missions, just as certain pilots are designated to serve as staff officers in addition to performing their regular duties as pilots.

#### 19. Airplanes

- a. Unless otherwise specifically authorized in writing by National Headquarters, all airplanes assigned to Tow Target Units will be required to have two-way radio-telephone, to be equipped for instrument flying and to have a cruising range of not less than three hours and fifteen minutes. (A cruising range of not less than four hours is preferred.) All instruments will be required to be in proper adjustment and in good working order.
- b. To determine the Hourly Rates to be paid for the use of airplanes assigned to Tow Target Units (See paragraph 22 hereof), the horsepower rating (maximum, except take-off) recorded by the Civil Aeronautics Administration for each such airplane will be used. The use of higher octane fuels, changes in propeller pitch and such other methods of "souping up" an engine, will not be considered in any way as affecting the horsepower rating or as effecting a change in the Hourly Rates.
  - c. All airplanes assigned to Tow Target Units will be required to have a currently effective Civil Aeronautics Administration Airworthiness Certificate when reporting for duty.
    - d. Any airplanes which report for TTU duty and which do not meet all of the foregoing requirements will be rejected and will be required to return to their home stations at no expense to the Government.
    - e. In order to insure continuity of operations, it is desirable that airplanes report for duty with an extra propeller and an extra battery.
- f. All airplanes on duty with CAP Tow Target Units will display on wings and fuselage distinctive markings to distinguish them from other airplanes, including other Civil Air Patrol airplanes, not assigned to this duty. In addition to any special markings which may be specified by the Army Air Forces, these markings will in each case consist of a

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blue disk with superimposed white triangle without the red three-blade propeller of the basic Civil Air Patrol insignia, and will be displayed only on airplanes on duty with CAP Tow Target Units. Airplanes displaying this marking will be flown exclusively by Civil Air Patrol pilots on active duty with Tow Target Units. Insignia disks placed on wings will be centered on the top side of the left wing and on the bottom side of the right wing at a point one-third of the distance from the wing tip to the fuselage. The diameter of said disks will not exceed two-thirds of the wing chord at the point of application. Insignia disks placed on the fuselage will be centered on both sides of the fuselage at a point one-third of the distance from the leading edge of the horizontal stabilizer to the trailing edge of the wing. The diameter of said disks will not exceed two-thirds of the depth of the fuselage at the point of application. Tow Target Unit Commanders will see that all airplanes on duty with their units are properly marked in accordance with the foregoing and that when airplanes are relieved from Tow Target duty any AAF markings displayed thereon are removed and said CAP disk markings are either removed or have the standard red three-blade propellor of the basic Civil Air Patrol insignia superimposed on the white triangle thereof. The red three-blade propeller appearing on the basic Civil Air Patrol insignia will not be displayed on markings used on airplanes on duty with CAP Tow Target Units.

# 20. 100-Hour Inspection Required

Each airplane ordered to report for duty will undergo a regulation 100-Hour Inspection covering the entire airplane, including the power-plant, immediately before departure from its home station and such inspection will be properly certified in the Airplane Log Books. Any airplanes reporting for duty without such certified 100-Hour Inspections and/or which are found to be in an unairworthy condition will not be accepted for assignment to duty nor permitted to remain at said bases, until such certified inspections have been accomplished and/or such airplanes have been put in an airworthy condition.

### 21. Radio

a. All airplanes on duty with CAP Tow Target Units will be required to be equipped with radiophone transmitters of at least six watts power output in the medium-high frequency band and with radio receivers to receive in the airways band of 200-400 kc and in the medium-high frequency band. National Headquarters will provide radio converters for installation in airplanes equipped with radio receivers designed to operate only in the airways band of 200-400 kc in order that said airplanes may also receive in the medium-high frequency band. Said aircraft radiophone transmitters will be operated on frequencies assigned by the Air Force having operational control.

- b. There will be a low-power radio ground transmitter set up at each unit to control operations. This transmitter will operate on a frequency of either 3530 kc or 3980 kc as may be indicated by National Headquarters (which frequencies have been allocated to Civil Air Patrol by the Office of the Chief Signal Officer for exclusive use by CAP operating units on active duty assignment for the armed forces), or on such other frequency as may be assigned by the Air Force having operational control. There will be at least two radio ground receivers to receive radiophone signals in the medium-high frequency band. Said receivers will be equipped with loud-speakers.
- c. All radio transmissions will be brief, concise, and in accordance with AAF and CAA regulations and will be restricted to the barest minimum absolutely necessary for the conduct of official operations. Violations of this requirement will be severely dealt with.

## 22. Reimbursement Schedules

- a. Reimbursement Schedules setting forth the Per Diem Allowances for personnel on active duty assignment with CAP Tow Target Units and the Hourly Rates and Stand-by Allowances paid for the use of aircraft assigned to said units are presented in Operations Directive No. 42, "Reimbursement Schedules CAP Tow Target and Tracking Service". Said Per Diem allowances for personnel and said Hourly Rates and Stand-by Allowances for the use of aircraft are the only allowances made by the Government to cover living expenses and personal services of personnel and expenses, both tangible and intangible, incident to the operation, maintenance, overhaul, repair, depreciation, replacement and insurance of aircraft on duty with said units.
- b. All Per Diem and Airplane Vouchers will be submitted to National Headquarters as of the fifteenth and last day of each month. Stand-by Allowance Vouchers will be submitted to National Headquarters as of the last day of each month. No vouchers calling for payments in excess of the rates scheduled herein will be approved, nor will payments be approved for personnel or airplanes exceeding the authorized strength.

### 23. Required Insurance

The insurance required on all CAP-TTU operations and the procedures to be followed in connection therewith are set forth in General Memorandum No. 61-A, this Headquarters, subject: "Civil Air Patrol Insurance Information", dated 1 January 1944, and subsequent amendments thereto and revisions thereof.

# 24. Care and Maintenance of Aircraft

All aircraft in operation with Tow Target Units will be maintained in a thoroughly airworthy condition and will be kept clean and properly

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waxed. Pursuant to the provisions of Operations Directive No. 35, this Headquarters, 2 December 1942, each such aircraft will be given a thorough line inspection at least once each day on which it is in operation and, if practicable, before each flight mission.

# 25. Aircraft and Engine Log Books

All aircraft and engine log books will be kept currently posted at all times in accordance with the standard procedure prescribed by the Civil Air Regulations.

# 26. Aircraft Certificate File

The aircraft certificate file pertaining to each airplane in operation with Tow Target Units and consisting of CAA Forms ACA 500-A, ACA 308-A, and ACA 309 (pages 1 to 5, inclusive) will at all times be carried in each such aircraft in currently correct form.

# . 27. Periodic Inspection of Aircraft by CAA

The Commanding Officer of each Tow Target Unit will be responsible that periodic inspections of all aircraft in operation with his unit are accomplished as prescribed in the Civil Air Regulations.

# 28. Schedules of Authorized Operations

Pursuant to instructions from Headquarters AAF, and in order that the operations of CAP Tow Target Units may be kept within the limits of funds allocated for these operations, National Headquarters will furnish each such unit a schedule of authorized flying operations which will be determined by First and Fourth Air Forces requirements so far as same can be met by available funds. Unit Commanders will be responsible that the operations of their respective units are kept within the limits set forth in said schedules.

# 29. Operations Orders

All flights of whatsoever nature performed by aircraft assigned to CAP Tow Target Units will be authorized by Operations Orders issued by direction of the Commanding Officer of the unit conducting the operations. Operations Orders may be written or posted in the form of a schedule on the operations board. In either case, the Commanding Officer is strictly responsible for a clear understanding, by all personnel concerned, of each order issued. CAP Form No. 607, Daily Operations Report, when executed and signed by the Unit Commander, is a complete record of all flights performed on a particular day and is a certification that all flights so reported were authorized by Operations Orders. This report is required to be filed each day with National Headquarters as set forth in paragraph 39 hereof.

#### 30. Flight Assignments

No pilot will be assigned to any particular mission which, in the opinion of the Unit Commander, he is not qualified to perform; nor will any airplane be assigned to any such mission if, in the opinion of the Unit Commander, said airplane is not airworthy, properly equipped, or otherwise qualified for the successful performance of the mission.

#### 31. Observance of Regulations

All flying will be done in strict accordance with the requirements of (a) the Civil Air Regulations, (b) any special clearance and flight regulations of the Army Air Forces and the Civil Aeronautics Administration, (c) applicable Civil Air Patrol directives, and (d) local regulations.

#### 32. Safety of Operations

- a. Strictest safety standards as to flight procedures and air-worthiness of airplanes will be maintained at all times. Either the Unit Commander, or the Operations Officer acting for him or the pilot may cancel any flight on the grounds of safety.
- b. The following special safety regulations will be observed in the performance of all towing and tracking missions.
  - (1) In all night missions, if the towing or tracking airplane shows its landing lights, all searchlights will go out of action without delay.
  - (2) When more than one airplane is used on a night mission they will be separated in altitude by a minimum of 1,000 feet.
  - (3) No night mission will be flown without navigation lights below 3,500 feet above the ground.
  - (4) Under no circumstances will a towing mission be performed at night below 1,500 feet above the ground and this minimum altitude may be raised at the discretion of the tow target squadron commander concerned.
  - (5) The minimum altitude flown on any towing mission will not be less than one-half of the length of the extended tow cable.
  - (6) The minimum length of tow cable for each mission will be prescribed by the antiaircraft unit requesting the mission.

- (7) No tow target airplanes will fly in the immediate vicinity of any primary power line with the tow cable extended where there is any possibility of the cable becoming severed or detached.
- (8) In the event it becomes necessary to cut an extended cable, the aircraft will, if possible, descend to the minimum altitude (prescribed in (5), above) over the gunnery range before cutting or releasing the cable. In all such cases a thorough survey of the area will be made to determine the presence of any objects that might be damaged or injured, such as power lines, buildings, and personnel, prior to releasing the cable.

### 33. Passengers and Cargo

- a. No passengers will be carried in CAP airplanes assigned to the operations of CAP Tow Target Units except CAP personnel regularly assigned to and actively engaged in such operations, and/or members of the armed forces of the United States on active-duty assignment to supervise and/or coordinate said operations.
- b. Cargo carried in subject aircraft will be limited to equipment and supplies required for the operation of said CAP Tow Target Units. No unauthorized cargo will be carried.

# 34. Auxiliary Service Flights

Auxiliary Service Flights, such as ferrying supplies, equipment, and personnel, which may be necessary for the proper conduct of official business of TTU Bases will, so far as possible, be performed by airplanes of not more than 90 h.p.

# 35. Special Service Flights

Except in cases of extreme emergency, written authorization will be obtained from National Headquarters before any airplanes assigned to Tow Target Units are used in the performance of any Special Service Flights for other agencies. Any such Special Service Flights which may be authorized by National Headquarters, will, so far as possible, be performed by airplanes of not more than 90 h.p. Cases of extreme emergency which, in the opinion of the Unit Commander, justify a departure from the procedure herein prescribed will in each case be covered by a written report to National Headquarters setting forth in detail (a) the factors justifying such emergency action and (b) the mission performed.

#### 36. Physical Training

The success of operations of the Tow Target Units depends to a large degree upon the physical fitness of the personnel of these units. The required degree of physical fitness can be acquired and maintained only through proper and systematic physical training. Therefore, all personnel except women, assigned to said units will be required to take at least fifteen (15) minutes per day, six (6) days per week, of setting-up exercises in classes conducted by instructors appointed by the Unit Commander. The setting-up exercises used will be those presented in paragraph 74, War Department Basic Field Manual FM 21-20, "Physical Training", 6 March 1941.

## 37. Military Courtesy and Discipline

- a. The requirements of military courtesy and discipline, as set forth in War Department Basic Field Manual FM 21-50, will be observed and maintained at all times.
- <u>b.</u> All operations of CAP Tow Target Units will be conducted for military agencies and will involve many contacts with military bases. It is imperative that all CAP personnel assigned to these operations present a neat, business-like appearance, that they conduct themselves in a manner becoming gentlemen, and that all rules and regulations of whatsoever nature in effect at said military bases be carefully observed.

# 38. Infantry Drill

In order to develop precision of action, general efficiency and esprit de corps, all personnel on duty with Tow Target Units, except women, will devote at least one (1) hour per week to Infantry Drill, including Roll Call, Inspections, and Reviews.

# 39. Daily Operations Reports

Daily Operations Reports will be submitted to National Headquarters in single copy only on CAP Form No. 607 and will adequately describe the nature of each mission (e.g. towing, tracking, test flight). Said reports will be signed by the Unit Commander and will be forwarded by ordinary mail in single envelopes marked "Fiscal Section".

# 40. Report of Change

a. All changes whatsoever in the assignment of personnel and airplanes will be reported to National Headquarters on CAP Forms Nos. 636 and 636-A, within twenty-four (24) hours after effective date of change. A separate report will be filed, in accordance with the following sample forms, for each individual and for each airplane.

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- b. Changes affecting personnel include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - (1) Arrival at base pursuant to active duty assignment.
  - (2) Departure from base, whether permanent or temporary, if such departure constitutes a change in current assignment.
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  - (3) Loss of direr ft resulting from accident.
  - (4) Return to bust.
- d. Said reports will be prepared in triplicate. The original and one copy will be forwarded to National Headquarters, and one copy will be retained in the unit files.
- e. In order to maintain securate records and to support per diem and aircraft vouchers, it is importative that National Headquarters be kept currently advised of the personnel and aircraft turn-over. Per Diem and aircraft Vouchers will not be cleared unless "Report of Change" Forms are prepared and filed within twenty-four (24) hours after change.

### 41. Weekly Telegraphic Reports

- a. Weekly telegraphic reports covering all CAP tow target and tracking operations will be forwarded to National Headquarters by TWX teletype each Friday morning covering the seven-day period closing as of midnight the previous Thursday night. In the absence of teletype service, such reports will be forwarded each Thursday night by commercial telegraph.
- . <u>b</u>. All said reports will indicate the designating number of the CAP unit, the dates covered, and the following information (using the code letter for each item followed by the figures representing the total for that particular item for the seven-day period covered by the report).

Code Item Letter No. of day tracking missions flown No. of hours flown on day tracking missions B No. of night tracking missions flown No. of hours flown on night tracking missions D No. of day towing missions flown E No. of hours flown on day towing missions F No. of night towing missions flown No. of hours flown on night towing missions H Total no. of all tracking and towing missions flown I Total no. of hours flown on all tracking and towing missions No. of forced landings K No. of airplane accidents involving damage to aircraft, including airplanes destroyed No. of airplanes destroyed M No. of fatalities N No. of personnel seriously injured 0 No. of airplanes assigned to the unit as of closing date of report No. of airplanes in commission as of closing date of No. of airplanes out of commission as of closing date R of report No. of personnel assigned to unit as of closing date S of report No. of administrative flights, including test, familiarization, ferry, auxiliary service, and

c. There will also be included in each such report, a brief statement of any special missions flown by authority of National Headquarters,
and also any emergency missions flown, stating in each case the number and
nature of such missions, the number of hours flown, and any special accomplishments resulting from such missions.

No. of hours flown on administrative flights

general administrative flying

# d. Confirmation Copies

Confirmation copies of all weekly telegraphic reports will be forwarded to National Headquarters in single envelope by regular mail.

# 42. Accident Reports

a. In cases of forced landings or other serious accident in connection with operations of Tow Target Units, the Unit Commander or the officer acting for him will immediately notify National Headquarters by TWX teletype,

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telegraph, or telephone, giving a brief resume of available information, together with make, model and NG number of airplane and name and serial number of the pilot and of any other personnel involved.

- b. National Headquarters will be similarly advised of any subsequent important developments incident to such accidents, as circumstances may dictate.
- c. As soon as possible after each such accident, a written report will be dispatched to National Headquarters by the Unit Commander giving all available information regarding the accident in the manner prescribed in Operations Directive No. 26, "accident Reports CAP Operating Bases and Stations".

#### 43. Special Reports

CAP Tow Target Units will submit to the First and Fourth Air Forces such special reports as may be required.

#### 44. Monthly Roster

- a. A Monthly Roster (CAP Form Nos. 620 and 620-A) of personnel on duty with each unit as of midnight of the last day of each month and including personnel departing during the month, will be forwarded to National Headquarters not later than the 5th of the following month. Appended to each such report will be an Aircraft Status Report with break-down showing make and registration number of each simplane assigned to the unit (a) in commission and (b) out or commission. Monthly Rosters are required for use in checking pay vouchurs and personnel records and in the preparation of prescribed reports.
- b. (1) Names will be listed alphabetically within each category according to type of duty, in the following order, with indicated abbreviations:

Commanding Officer	0.0.
Executive Officer-Pilot	
Operations Officer-Pilot	0.0P
Assistant Operations Officer-Pilot	Asst. 0.0P
Maintenance Officer-Pilot	Maint. OP
Airdrome Officer-Pilot	adrin, OP
Supply Officer-Pilot	Sup. OP
Assistant Maintenance Officer-Pilot	
Assistant Airdrome Officer-Pilot	Asst. Adrm. OP
Assistant Supply Officer-Pilot	Asst. Sup. OP
Pilot	Pilot
Flight Surgeon	F.S.
Communications Officer	Com.O.
Master Mechanic	Mus. Mech.

Technical Section Head	Tech. Sec. Head
Mechanic	Mech.
Radio Technician	Rad. Tech.
Mechanic, Tow Reel	Mech. T. R.
Apprentice Mechanic	App. Mech.
Clerk Technician	Clk. Tech.
Service Technician	Ser. Tech.
Security Technician	Sec. Tech.

- (2) In case any explanation is needed, it will appear in abbreviated form on the next line below the name, indented three spaces.
- (3) Losses in personnel during the month will be listed alphabetically in a separate column headed LOSSES, following the last entry pertaining to personnel on duty at the base as of midnight of the current month. An abbreviated statement of the reason for departure will be given in each case.
- (4) Monthly Rosters will be made out in triplicate, the original and one copy to be forwarded to National Headquarters, one copy to remain in the unit file. The original copy of the Monthly Roster will be signed by the Unit Commander.
- (5) Preparation of the Monthly Roster will be in accordance with instructions set forth on the following models:

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# MONTHLY ROSTER - PERSONNEL

Month ending _	31 January	1944	_	Clinton, Ma	ryland
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4) DPTR. DATE	(5)	(6)
NAME	SERIAL NO.	DATE RPTD. & S.O. NO.	& S.O. NO.	DUTY	RANK
Earle, Ralph -	- 3-1-209	8-13-42	X	C.O.	Major
(Aptd. by Market Space Brown, J. S.	between eac		X	0.0P	Captain
Clark, T. V.	2-4-17	6-1-42 SO 148/5	5-10-44	F.SP	Captain
Gilbert, H. T	. 4-8-605	9-1-43 SO 240/4	Х -	Pilot	lst Lt.
James, A. H.	5-2-304	4-1-44 so 89/5	<b>X</b>	Pilot- T. R.	1st Lt.

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(1)	(2)	(3) DATE RPTD.	(4) DPTR. DATE	(5)	(6)
NAME S	ERIAL NO.	& S.O. NO.	& S.O. NO.	DUTY	RANK
Ames, Y. M. Date aptd. and Wilson, L. C.		 o. not availab 5-19-43 SO 130/2		Mech. rn. as soo Mech.	Tech. Sgt. n as determined. Staff. Sgt.
O'Brien, M. K.	9-1-4567	9-1-43 so 240/3	X	Tech. Sec. Hea	Mstr. Sgt.
LOSSES					
Abbott, C. B.	3-4-516	6-25-43 S0 165/1	1-4-44 SO 15/1	Pilot	1st Lt.
Exp. Tour duty Brown, J. F.	6-1-343	12-22-43 SO 364/6 ry for duty	1-15-44 S0 20/5	Pilot	lst Lt.

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#### INSTRUCTIONS

- (1) Enter last name and both initials. If no middle initial, enter dash (--).
- (2) If serial number is unavailable, give reason.
- (3) Give date of reporting for current tour of duty, and National Headquarters Special Order No. and paragraph making assignment.
- (4) If on duty for duration, enter "X". If on duty for limited period, enter scheduled date of end of tour of duty. If individual has departed, enter date and National Headquarters Special Order No. and paragraph terminating assignment.
- (5) Use only abbreviations listed in paragraph b (1) above. Use only functional titles as listed therein.
- (6) Enter present rank.

When entering remarks below names, use abbreviations listed in foregoing instructions. If individual has had more than one assignment during month, list assignment held as of midnight of the last day of the month. Enter under his name, special order number effecting change.

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### CAP TOW TARGET UNIT NO. 17

# MONTHLY ROSTER - AIRCRAFT.

Month endi	ng 31 January 1944	4	Clinton; Maryland	
(1) REG. NO.	(2) MAKE & MODEL	(3) DATE RPTD. & S.O. NO.	(4) (5) DPTR. DATE & S.O. NO. REMARKS	C
In Commiss	ion			
NC 12189	Stinson SR-JR	12-20-43 80 350/5	Х	
NC 16451.	Waco YOC	8-30-43 so 239/2	χ ,	
NR 18354	Fairchild 24-C	6-1-42 SO 148/6	6-1-44	C
Out of Con	mission			
NR 13863	Stinson SR5-E	6-25-43 \$0 176/2	X fop Overhaul	
NR 14515	Stinson JR S	12-21-43 S0 364/6a	X Dinga. Spar	
Losses				
NC 36805	Stinson 10-A	1-1-44 SO 364/2	1-25-44 Does not meet SO 26/4 operating star	idar
NC 38493	Stinson 10-A	9-1-43 SO 240/4	1-30-44 Total loss-cra	sh

## INSTRUCTIONS

(1) Enter Registration Nos. in numerical order for .
(a) airplanes in commission, (b) airplanes out of commission, and (c) losses during month.

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- (2) Enter make and model of airplane.
- (3) Give date of reporting for current assignment, and National Headquarters Special Order No. and paragraph making assignment.
- (4) If assigned for duration, enter "X". If on duty for limited period, enter scheduled date of end of tour of duty. If aircraft has departed, enter date and National Headquarters Special Order No. and paragraph terminating assignment.
- (5) For aircraft out of commission, give reason in each case. Under Losses, enter reason for each such loss.

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### 45. Monthly Financial Statements

Each Unit Commander will submit to National Headquarters a complete financial statement for his unit as of the last day of each month. Said monthly financial statements will be prepared in accordance with instructions issued by National Headquarters and will be forwarded in time to reach this Headquarters not later than the tenth of the following month.

## 46. Supply

Matters of supply for CAP Tow Target Units, except subsistence supplies for organized messes, will be handled in accordance with the provisions of AAF Regulation No. 65-63, "SUPPLY AND MAINTENANCE - Procedure for Furnishing Supplies and Services to the Civil Air Patrol". Organized messes of said units are authorized to purchase from the nearst Quartermaster Corps supply facility, such subsistence supplies as may be required in the operation of such messes. (See AR 30-2290, Ch. No. 4, dated 14 September 1943.)

### 47. Responsibility for Army Equipment

The Commanding Officer of each CAP Tow Target Unit will be responsible to the Army issuing agency for all Army equipment issued to or in possession of his unit, regardless of whether same may be covered by memorandum receipt, and his responsibility is in no way mitigated when delegated by him to other personnel of his command. He will not be relieved of such responsibility until he has received a credit memo from the Army issuing activity showing that he is no longer responsible for the items of equipment covered by said credit memo. The Unit Commander will delegate responsibility for such Army

equipment to his Supply Officers and through them to other personnel of his unit as circumstances may dictate; holding them responsible to him in the same manner he is held responsible to the Army issuing activity.

#### 48. Utilities

Expenses for communication facilities arranged for by National Headquarters will be paid by the Signal Corps. The expenses for water, power, and light will be paid by the Corps of Engineers, except when these utilities are provided by local military agencies. All invoices for said utilities will be forwarded through National Headquarters.

### 49. Hospitalization

Members of CAP Tow Target Units "who suffer personal injury or incurr sickness in line of duty while engaged on active duty assignment within the field activities of the Civil Air Patrol under the provisions of Army Air Forces regulations" may receive hospitalization in Army hospitals. (See AR 40-590, Ch. No. 18, dated 29 December 1943, amending paragraph 6 b, adding sub-paragraph 20.)

### 50. Communications

- a. All communications, including official letters, indorsements, memoranda, reports, telegrams, teletype messages, and radiograms, will be prepared in accordance with the provisions of Training Directive No. 29, this Headquarters, "Military Correspondence, How Conducted", 8 April 1942, and Operations Directive No. 27, this Headquarters, "Preparation of Messages for Dispatch Via Electrical Means", 25 August 1942.
- b. All communications will be as brief as is consistent with clarity. Long-distance telephone, teletype, telegraph, and radio will be used only when a situation is of such gravity as to place the use of such emergency circuits in the category of a "military necessity".
- c. The following rules will be observed in the use of emergency circuits:
  - (1) Answer the telephone as promptly as possible and speak distinctly.
  - (2) Identify your unit and yourself immediately upon lifting the telephone receiver; as "CAP-TTU-5, Captain Smith". It is not only a waste of time but is disconcerting to the party calling to have to inquire whether he has the right connection.

- (3) When telephoning, have well in mind the matter to be taken up; present it in the shortest time possible; then conclude your conversation immediately.
- (4) Do not waste valuable time inquiring about the health of the other party.
- (5) Do not drag out conversations by repeating requests for information which the other party obviously does not have.
- (6) Avoid holding up lines while consulting with members of your staff.
- (7) Do not attempt to hasten solution of problems already under consideration by making repeated calls in regard to them.
- (8) In transmitting messages via electrical means edit each such message to insure maximum use of authorized abbreviations and elimination of every word not essential to clarity. Adhere rigidly to instructions pertaining to address and signature on messages.

# 51. Information Pertaining to Operations

All matters pertaining to CAP Tow Target Units and their operations will be held in strictest confidence. No interviews will be granted, and no publicity whatsoever will be released relative to said units and their operations. Information regarding tow target and tracking operations performed for the First and Fourth Air Forces will be released only by said Air Forces.

# 52. Visitors

- a. Visitors at CAP Tow Target Unit Bases will be limited to those whose presence is necessary in the conduct of official business. Said official visitors, excepting (a) officers representing the armed forces and presenting proper credentials and (b) Civil Aeronautics Administration inspectors and Civil Aeronautics Board investigators presenting proper credentials, will be admitted only on written authorization from National Headquarters.
- b. Application for such written authorization for Civil Air Patrol personnel will be made through Wing Commanders who will forward to National Headquarters only such applications as in their opinion are necessary in the conduct of official business.

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c. The term "visitors" does not include tradesmen and representatives of business firms admitted to a base by a Unit Commander for the transaction of necessary business incident to the operation of the base. However, the Unit Commander is responsible for the identity and conduct of each such person admitted to his base. Said persons will be admitted only to such parts of the base as said necessary business may require.

#### 53. Requests for Information and Special Services

Unit Commanders are hereby directed to advise all agencies requesting information or special services not specifically authorized by Letters of Instructions, Memoranda, and Directives pertaining to operations of CAP Tow Target Units, to address their requests to National Headquarters through their regular channels of communication.

#### 54. Inspections

The Unit Commander or an officer designated by him will make an informal inspection of the Base each day to insure the maintenance of a high standard of sanitary conditions, proper care of equipment, observance of all fire regulations, thorough policing, and that all personnel are in proper uniform.

### 55. Requests for Equipment and Supplies

All requests for equipment, supplies, information, and special services required by CAP Tow Target Units from other agencies of the Government will be handled through National Headquarters.

By direction of National Commander JOHNSON:

HARRY H. BLEE

Colonel, Air Corps Operations Officer

Civil Air Patrol